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Sir/Madam:

In response to the office action mailed on August 29, 2005, enclosed herewith is a terminal disclaimer which should remove the obviousness-type double patenting rejection. As there are no other outstanding rejections or objections, it is respectfully requested that a notice of allowance be issued.

If any impediment to the allowance of these claims remains after consideration of these remarks, and such impediment could be removed during a telephone interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

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Dated this 29th day of November, 2005.

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